



Christmas - Presents!

A VISIT TO OUR STORE IS ONE ROUND OF PLEASURE.

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS

We feel that you will find no better selection anywhere than our line of

SILVERWARE, IRON AND BRONZE CLOCKS,

CHINA, CUT GLASS, WATCHES, JEWELRY, AND NOVELTIES.

HERE ARE A FEW THINGS:

- Diamonds, Rings, Watches, Chains and Lockets, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Jewel Cases, Salve Jars, Pin Trays and Holders, Book Marks, Baking Dishes, Cake Baskets, Bon-bon Baskets, Toilet and Manicure Sets, Photograph Frames, Fountain Pens, Cut Glass Ink Wells, Paper Knives, Mucilage Bottles, Spoon Trays, Bread Trays, Knives and Forks, Cold Meat and Beef Forks, Salad and Berry Forks, Souvenir Spoons, Sugar Spoons, Tea, Orange and Berry Spoons, Oyster Ladles, Gravy and Cream Ladles, Fruit Knives, Butter Knives, Pie Knives, Cake Knives, Nut Sets, Salt and Pepper Sets, Napkin Rings, Toothpick Holders, Child's Cups and Sets, Match Holders, Marmalade Jars, Cracker Jars, Fancy Gilt Clocks, Gold and Silver Thimbles, Scarf Pins, Cuff and Collar Buttons, Shirt Studs, Shaving Sets, Strops and Brushes, Cigar Lamps, Smoking Sets, and all kinds of Silver Novelties.

BUY YOUR PRESENTS NOW! WE CAN PUT THEM BY FOR YOU TILL YOU WANT THEM

REMEMBER, WHEN YOU BUY OUR GOODS YOU GET QUALITY.

WENNERLUND, JEWELER AND OPTICIAN.

Dr. C. E. Gerretson, dentist. Office in Mikkelsen block, Willmar. 2217

Greatest bargains in clothing this fall only at John A. Weedall's. 3711

Highest market price paid for farm products at B. Moe's. 44-2

Miss Blanche McLaughlin visited St. Paul friends last week.

Miss Amanda Holmqvist came home from Spicer Friday to remain over Sunday.

Mrs. James McDermott and Mrs. Hagenstine, of Green Lake, were Willmar visitors this week.

Lovers of a good smoke should not fail to purchase one of Ferguson's cigar books. They are O. K. 43-3p

Chas. Nordgren came down from Hutton, S. D., last Thursday morning, where he has been buying wheat. He left the same day for his home in New London.

Miss Gerda Wennerlund left on Saturday for a visit with Minneapolis friends. From there she goes to Oelwein, Iowa, to spend the winter with her brother, E. K. Wennerlund, and family.

Andrew Johnson, a former resident of the town of Fahlan, and one of the pioneer settlers of the county, was up from St. Paul to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Hannah Johnson, which occurred in the town of Fahlan the 6th inst. Mr. Johnson returned to St. Paul last Friday.

Mrs. Potter returned last week from a visit with relatives in the East

Miss Mae Hill, of Melrose, was in the city for a short visit last week.

When you are doing your holiday trading remember B. Moe's. 44-2

The Appleton Feed Mills are sold by Stansberry & Spicer.

For a nobby Xmas present buy one of F. W. Ferguson's beautiful cigar books. 43-3p

Rev. H. Blomgren went to Kerkhoven Saturday to hold services near that place.

From now till New Years I will cut the price on Rock salt from 90 cents to 70 cents per 100 lbs. E. P. SUNDFORS. 44-3

John A. Johnson, an old-time Willmarite, called on relatives and friends here yesterday on his way to his home in New London. He had just returned from Nebraska, where he has been engaged at carpenter work.

The old gentleman, John Lundquist, is very low with cancer of the hip. He has been unconscious ever since Saturday and is not expected to survive very long. All that medical aid can do is being done.

LATER - Mr. Lundquist died early this morning.

A marriage license was granted on Friday to Emil Erickson and Clara Johnson.

Wm. Frost came up from Minneapolis last Friday night to enjoy a visit at his home.

Miss Annie Holmqvist returned last Thursday night from an extended visit with relatives in River Falls, Wisconsin.

Miss Amice Ackerman entertained a company of friends at her home last Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Ella Fogarty.

From now till New Years I will cut the price on International Stock Food from 50 cents to 35 cents per package. E. P. SUNDFORS. 44-3

LOST - A horseblanket, Monday of this week, on the Raymond road. Finder please leave same at this office and be paid for trouble. 1p

Stansberry & Spicer have just received a carload of the famous Appleton Feed Mills, Cutters, and Corn Shellers. 44-2

Mr. J. H. Johnson came up from Minneapolis last week to join his wife, who was the guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. Blomgren. They returned home Saturday.

For a Xmas present you can buy one of those beautiful books put up with first-class cigars by F. W. Ferguson. For sale at all leading cigar stands. 43-3p

Dr. C. E. Gerretson, dentist. Office in Mikkelsen block, Willmar. 2217

Honorable Rebeckah Lodge, No. 148, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Miss Rella Lien, N. G.; Mrs. Augusta Nordstrom, V. G.; Mrs. Lilly Forsberg, recording secretary; Miss Julia Ellingson, financial secretary; Miss Caroline Nordlander, treasurer.

Stansberry & Spicer have their warehouse on Litchfield Ave. full to the top with brand new machinery, including Sheds, Saws, Fish Bros. Wagons, Appleton Feed mills, etc.

The Woodmen held their annual election of officers last Wednesday evening. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Martin Sorenson, W. C.; E. Christenson, W. A.; C. C. Selvig, Banker; N. B. Carlson, Clerk; H. C. Larson, Escorte; Christian Hanson, Watchman; A. R. Anlauf, Sentinel; Dr. C. Johnson, Physician; H. C. Traue, Manager, 3 years.

We wish to thank our friends that our business has been very satisfactory since starting in our new quarters. Xmas is now drawing near and anticipating a better trade than ever we have had for it by selecting bargains in all our lines. Kindly call and examine them.

B. MOE, 44-2 Cor. Benson Ave. and 6th St.

A Sudden Death.

DIED - Elizabeth Christina Thorsen, last Monday, December 11, at 10:30 a. m. of apoplexy.

The people of Willmar were painfully surprised last Monday when the news spread that Mrs. Thorsen was dead. She had apparently been enjoying good health and none thought her death so near. She went to bed Sunday evening as well as usual, and about 1 o'clock, a. m. received a stroke of apoplexy. Medical assistance was immediately sent for but of no avail and she breathed her last at 10:30 a. m.

She was born in Modum, Norway, nearly 66 years ago. The deceased leaves to mourn her departure a husband, Thore Thorsen, a son, Alfred of Washington, D. C., and daughter, Minnie.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been made yet, as the coffin is expected to arrive home Thursday. If he does the funeral will be held next Friday at the Free Lutheran church, of which the deceased was a devout member.

The family has the sincerest sympathy of the community. The affliction is doubly hard to bear, as the daughter, Miss Minnie, is very ill and lost her eyesight some time ago.

During your holiday trading when you are looking for bargains remember that we have a well selected stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Gents' Furnishings and Groceries, bought at cash prices, and that we give you the benefit. If you are really looking for bargains please call on us. We can please you where ever you fall.

B. MOE, 44-2 Cor. Benson Ave. and 6th St.

PLANT LIFE IN MILK.

Editor WILLMAR TRIBUNE:

The grandeur and beauty, the magnitude of plant life in the woods and fields at midsummer is wonderful; an enjoyment to look at, and a greater enjoyment to investigate in its smallest details. Side by side of the plants visible to the naked eye are other plants so small that they cannot be seen without the help of the finest microscope. If our eyes were sharp enough we might at certain times see a big forest of these minute plants move from place to place.

They germinate, grow and ripen in a wonderfully short time without our notice. Even the best investigation could not tell us how many crops Mother Nature harvests of these minute plants in a single summer. In a moment they grow up and develop to full maturity and the next moment they spread out their seeds. They are to be found almost everywhere, in the wood, in the field, in the earth, in the air, in the water of the lakes and rivers, in the ocean, in our houses, in our food and even in the living bodies of man and beast. They are small but they are doing a great work. So great is their work that without them the life of man would be an impossibility. On the other hand they are very often the cause of death and decay, sickness and disease. The tubercle bacillus dust is the cause of consumption. It is one of the examples of the grandeur of the whole creation that even the smallest being is indis-

pensable in the economy of nature.

The botanist can tell us about how many different kinds of plants are in the wood and the field and how they differ widely in form and in manner of life. The bacteriologist can tell us more different kinds of them than plants most generally known under the name of bacteria and that they differ as widely in regard to shape, requirements and manner of life as the plants the botanist knows about.

Only one requirement they have in common; they all want moisture.

It is of interest to the farmer and everyone who handles and uses milk, (and very few they are indeed who do not) that this fluid is one of the best mediums for bacterial life. Up to date there have been found and described over 200 different types of bacteria that live and develop very readily in milk.

Not all of them have a good effect upon the milk. In fact, it would be better if they could be planted or sown at will according to the use we want to make of the milk - as the farmer keeps the weeds out of his field and plants corn and sows wheat.

But that is difficult; in fact, impossible in daily practice.

The milk as it is secreted from the glands in the udder of the cow is pure, sterile, provided the cow is healthy, but under the process of milking it has hardly reached the bottom of the milk pail before it is inoculated with scores of bacteria, especially when milking is done in the stable as it generally is in winter. Experiments have been made where perfectly pure milk has been obtained. Such milk will keep sweet and fresh as long as was made in it well sealed. That can not be done with the entire milking of one cow not to speak of the whole herd, but effective precautions can be taken so as to get as few bacteria into the milk as possible.

At certain times of the day the air of the stable is just teeming with bacteria. In manure and bedding can always be found an immense amount of them and also in the fodder. Therefore when feeding the cows and cleaning out the stable a multitude of bacteria are raised and fly freely around

VERY INTERESTING.

The Jones Clothing Co. have received their Holiday Novelties in the lines of the finest collection of Neckwear that has ever been brought to this city, for men and women. They are very swell.

in the air, consequently the milking ought never to be done at that time of the day. During milking it ought to be as quiet in the stable as possible. And the fresher the air the better, although draft must be avoided because that also tends to raise dust and bacteria.

A quick tempered man is not a good milker because he will kick the cow if she does not mind him. That is objectionable not only for bacteriological reasons but it seems to have a bad effect upon the milk and the cow does not yield as much as she would if better treated. It seems to be with cows as with men; kind treatment has good effects upon them.

It is very important how the act of milking is performed. The milker ought not to go at this work with dirty hands and dirty clothes, and the udder and flanks of the cow ought to be cleaned before milking so that no dirt or hair will fall into the milkpail. Some of my farmer friends when reading this will shake their heads and think that buttermakers are too particular; but no sir, on the contrary. Just think! there has been made investigations which shows that if the cow has been milked at six o'clock in the afternoon and just one bacteria has happened to drop into the milk then the creamery will next day receive about 16 million bacteria originating from this one! If there has not been taken any special precautions by cooling and aerating the milk. Now the fact is that not only one but many bacteria get into the milk as soon as it is drawn from the cow. There may be over a hundred bacteria riding on the smallest hair that drops into the milkpail. Therefore it is not very encouraging for the buttermaker to receive milk on top of which is floating hair and straw, etc., and at the bottom of the milk can to find a black coating of something else.

Not even with the utmost care is it possible to avoid bacteria from falling into the milk, but the bad effect of this can be avoided to a certain extent by taking good care of it. Strain the milk outside of the stable at a place where there is fresh air; and a very good idea it is to aerate the milk. That can be done simply by pouring it slowly from one pail to

another several times, and then immediately after milking cool the milk down to about fifty degrees Fahr. If possible and stir it thoroughly several times with a long-handled dipper while cooling. Avoid letting dirt and bad air get into the milk. Don't keep it in the stable. In this way you will be able to bring good milk to the creamery and your buttermaker can produce butter that will bring highest market price the year round. If not, then you better discharge him and get a man that can.

We often hear farmers say: "It does not help that I take so good care of the milk, for my neighbors don't." Yes, sir, it helps a good deal, and you have the satisfaction of knowing that you have done your duty. If you were just as fast as your neighbor so much the worse.

It is an old saying in Denmark that three qualifications are necessary to be a good buttermaker: first, cleanliness; second, cleanliness; third, cleanliness. That of course is going to extremes. But true it is that cleanliness in handling the milk is the most important factor if we want to make good butter.

TH. J. THOMSEN, Pennock, Minn., Dec. 11, 1899.

The Jones Clothing Co.'s List of useful Christmas Presents:

NECKWEAR, MUFFLERS, SILK SUSPENDERS, UMBRELLAS, FANCY OR WHITE SHIRTS, HANDKERCHIEFS, GLOVES AND MITTENS, HATS AND CAPS.

Any of the above articles will make a very desirable and useful present.

M. F. MAGNUSON makes another slash in prices for the Holiday Trade.

A DEEP CUT.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including tomatoes, corn, strawberries, blueberries, yeast, evaporated apples, and various sauces.

MITTENS and GLOVES for Ladies, Misses and Children, Also for Men and Boys. All kinds and prices. None better in the market. Prices and quality guaranteed.

You must buy your shoes somewhere. I ask you before you buy to come and let me show you what I have. Mine is a new stock.

TINWARE, GALVANIZED IRON, COPPER GOODS, and NICKLE-PLATED GOODS. I will save you from 25 and 50 cents on the dollar on these goods for the next 15 days.

SILK KERCHIEFS, GENTS' SILK MUFFLERS and TIES will be sold at extremely low prices during the Holidays.

At my store you will find a selection of TOYS and FANCY ARTICLES for the Holiday trade that will suit you.

FARMERS, bring me your BUTTER and EGGS. I want them.

FARMERS! Throw away your cold chisels and sledge hammers used in getting common cheap salt out of barrels, and by the Red Star Salt in large barrels. It will not get hard. My price only \$1.35 per barrel.

All crockery, china dishes and glassware at a big discount for two weeks. Come and get my prices.

M. F. MAGNUSON, Corner of Benson Ave. and Third St., Willmar, Minn.

THAT COUNTS

In buying Furniture consider these four items:

- 1. DESIGNS. 2. QUALITY. 3. WORKMANSHIP ON THE GOODS. 4. FINISH.

We buy from the highest grade of manufacturers both in Twin City and Chicago Markets. We have a large stock for the Holiday trade, consisting of

Couches, Rockers: WOOD, RATTAN, UPHOLSTERED, Combination Book Cases, Rugs, etc., etc.

We make a specialty in framing pictures.

Nothing is more acceptable for a Christmas Present than a Nicely Framed Picture.

A. PETERSON & CO.